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SUBJECT: LIBYAN POSTURE ON SAHARA

1. YESTERDAY, JANUARY 27, LIBYAN RADIO ANNOUNCED THE ARRIVAL IN TRIPOLI OF AHMAD DRAYA, THE ALGIERIAN REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL MEMBER WHO OFTEN SERVED AS THE CONTACT BETWEEN QADHAFI AND BOUMEDIENE DURING 1975. DRAYA WAS SAID TO BE ON A BRIEF VISIT. THIS MORNING, HOWEVER, THE TRIPOLI PRESS MAKES NO MENTION OF DRAYA'S VISIT, AND INSTEAD THERE IS A FRONT-PAGE PHOTO OF A GRAVE QADHAFI MEETING WITH A MAURITANIAN AMBASSADOR.

2. COMMENT: THIS MEDIA TREATMENT IS DELIBERATE. ITIS PRESUMABLY INTENDED TO SIGNAL SOMETHING TO THE INTERESTED PARTIES, AND IT MAY BE AN ATTEMPT TO BALANCE THE LIBYAN POSTURE ON THE SAHARAN DISPUTE WHICH HAD BEEN TILTING IN THE DIRECTION OF ALGERIA.
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